Minutes for the October 24, 2022 Council Meeting

Council Meeting was held at the Fire Department, the elevator still out of order.

1 Roll Call

McKelvey - Here

Yarnall - Here

Tickhill - Here

Johnson - Here

Hill - Here

McCort - Here

2 Minutes

a. Mr. Tickhill moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the minutes from Council Meeting on October 11, 2022.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Ave

Tickhill - Ave

Johnson - Ave

Hill - Aye

McCort- Ave

Motion carried 6-0

3 Finance-Contract-Ordinance

a. Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. Yarnall to approve the payment listing in the amount of \$192,245.35.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Ave Tickhill - Ave Motion carried 6-0

Johnson - Aye

Hill - Ave

McCort- Ave

4 Street-Alley-Sidewalk

a. Roger Deal Village Administrator informed Council that we are at the point where we need to make a decision regarding the Tunnel & Trail Project to move forward or not. ODOT estimated the Village's share at \$62,000 at this point. A discussion was held.

Mr. McKelvey moved, seconded by Mr. Tickhill to continue with the Tunnel & Trail Project.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Aye Tickhill - Ave Johnson - No

Hill - No

McCort - Ave

Motion carried 4-2-0

b. Mr. Deal informed Council that OMEGA invites Community Leaders and members to attend the Belmont County Appalachian Community Grant Program Workshop scheduled for Friday, November 4, 2022 at Belmont College from 9am-11am.

c. Mr. Deal informed Council that the downtown project is wrapping up. Mr. Deal stated all the pros and the only con being that the system is more complicated. He has ordered the parts and components for the signs and will order the signs, all to be put up when received.

d. Councilman Brian Yarnall commented about the Appalachian Grant. If you have your projects that we want to submit, we need to get moving on that and get estimates ready to go. Mr. Yarnall requested an estimate on paving the trail around the Park Lake. Mr. Deal suggested prioritizing the projects. Council agreed that a lot of it depends on the amount of funding we will receive.

5 Safety

6 Parks and Recreation

a. Councilman Tim McKelvey asked Council to think about a Recreational Levy for the Park. A one mill levy would generate approximately \$65,000 a year.

7 Cemetery

8 Water and Sewer

a. Mr. Deal provided Council with a brief update on the Slope Creek Waterline Project. Mr. Deal thanked Adam Myser Village Solicitor for resolving a few issues quickly this past week to make sure production didn't slow down at ali.

b. Mr. Yarnall asked Mr. Deal if we are fully staffed now with the two new hires. Mr. Deal stated we still have one position to fill in the Street Department. Councilman Steven Hill expressed his concerns as to why Council doesn't have to approve the new hires as stated in the Ohio Revised Code and why the Personnel Committee is not involved. Mr. Myser expressed if it is a new position then Council votes to approve the new position, however the other falls under the Village Administrator's role with Mayor's approval. Mr. Myser stated he is also hired by Council and it is his legal opinion that what Mr. Deal is doing is allowed under Ordinance and the Ohio Revised Code.

9 Land & Buildings

a. Cody and Bryanna Church - 347 Harrison Street - New Home

b. Adam Ackerman - 114 West South Street - Demo House

Mr. McCort moved, seconded by Mr. McKelvey to approve the building permits.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Ave

McCort - Aye

Tickhill - Aye

Motion carried 6-0

Johnson - Aye

Hill - Ave

c. Councilman Terry McCort expressed his concerns with dressing up the Bohandy Building to make it more appealing.

10 Old Business

11 New Business

a. Jake Hershberger asked for a Planning Commission Meeting. Mr. Hill to set the meeting up.

b. Councilman Tony Johnson expressed his sympathy for the Cross Country boy that lost his life in a complete freak accident on Saturday. Mr. Johnson stated Barnesville, Cross Country Community, and a lot of Parent Organizations are thinking about them.

12 Executive Session

13 Adjournment

a. Mr. McCort made a motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. McKelvey at 7:40 pm.

McKelvey - Aye

Yarnall - Aye

Tickhill - Aye Johnson - Ave

McCort - Ave

Motion carried 6-0